

We claim:

1    1. A project development workspace stored on a computer readable  
2 media, comprising:  
3    a project development Website having a multi-dimensional knowledge  
4    base;  
5    a project workspace specific to a project and associated with but distinct  
6    from said project development Website; and  
7    a unidirectional data gate for transferring data from said project  
8    development Website to said project workspace, without influencing  
9    said contents of said project development Website.

1    2. The project development workspace of claim 1, wherein said multi-  
2 dimensional knowledge base is an indexed database that is organized  
3 according to categories and has a plurality of nodes, each said node  
4 being a URL.

1    3. The project development workspace of claim 2, wherein said  
2 categories are pre-defined categories selected from the group consisting  
3 of Life Cycle, Operating Region, Operating Country, Industry Sector, and  
4 Supporting Services.

1    4. The project development workspace of claim 2, wherein each said  
2 URL has its own attributes.

1    5.    The project development workspace of claim 1, wherein each said  
2    data is a node represented by a URL.

1    6.    The project development workspace of claim 5, wherein a  
2    secondary knowledge base for storing project specific data is a  
3    component of said project workspace.

1    7.    The project development workspace of claim 6, wherein said  
2    secondary knowledge base is initialized when said project specific data is  
3    copied from said multi-dimensional knowledge to said secondary  
4    knowledge base.

1    8.    The project development workspace of claim 7, wherein said  
2    project specific data in said secondary knowledge base is updated each  
3    time said multi-dimensional knowledge base is updated.

1    9.    The project development workspace of claim 1, further comprising:  
2    a user key for entering said project development Website.

1    10.   The project development workspace of claim 9, wherein said user  
2    key includes a first user password.

1    11.   The project development workspace of claim 1, further comprising:  
2    a user key for entering said project workspace.

1    12. The project development workspace of claim 11, wherein said user  
2    key includes a user password.

1    13. The project development workspace of claim 1, further comprising:  
2    a firewall between said project development Website and said project  
3    workspace.

1    14. A method for implementing a project development workspace,  
2    comprising the steps of:  
3    accessing a project development Website having a multi-dimensional  
4    knowledge base;  
5    identifying a project;  
6    generating a project workspace specific to said project and associated  
7    with but distinct from said project development Website; and  
8    installing a one-way data gate, allowing said project workspace to access,  
9    copy, or use the nodes of said project development Website,  
10   including said multi-dimensional knowledge base.

1    15. The method of claim 14, wherein said multi-dimensional  
2    knowledge base is an indexed database having a plurality of said nodes,  
3    further comprising the step of:

4 organizing said nodes in said indexed database according to categories,  
5 each said node being a URL; and  
6 including in said indexed database URLs selected according to a pre-  
7 determined criterion.

1 16. The method of claim 15, wherein said categories are selected from  
2 the group consisting of Life Cycle, Operating Region, Operating Country,  
3 Industry Sector, and Supporting Services.

1 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the categories include at least a  
2 Life Cycle category and a Supporting Services category.

1 18. The method of claim 15, wherein said project workspace includes a  
2 secondary knowledge base.

1 19. The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of:  
2 organizing said secondary knowledge base by categories selected from  
3 the group consisting of Life Cycle, Operating Region, Operating  
4 Country, Industry Sector, and Supporting Services.

1    20. The method of claim 18, further comprising the steps of:  
2        determining which said nodes of said multi-dimensional knowledge base  
3              are pertinent to said project;  
4        initializing said secondary knowledge base by copying the pertinent ones  
5              of said nodes from said multi-dimensional knowledge base into said  
6              secondary knowledge base; and  
7        customizing the contents of said secondary knowledge base according to  
8              project needs.

1    21. The method of claim 20, wherein said customizing step is  
2        accomplished independent of said project development Website.

1    22. The method of claim 21, wherein said customizing step includes  
2        adding nodes to said secondary knowledge base that are different from  
3        said nodes included in said multi-dimensional knowledge base.

1    23. The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of:  
2        entering said project development Website using a first key.

1    24. The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of:  
2        entering said project workspace using a second key.

1    25. The method of claim 24, wherein said first and second keys are a  
2        first and second user password.

- 1        26. The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of:
  - 2        installing a firewall between said project workspace and said project
  - 3           development Website.
- 1        27. A method for implementing a project development workspace that
  - 2        is separate from a project development Website, but is capable of
  - 3        accessing, using, or copying the URLs of the project development Website
  - 4        for use in the project development workspace, comprising the steps of:
    - 5        accessing a project development Website having a multi-dimensional
    - 6           indexed database with a plurality of nodes, each node being a URL
    - 7           selected according to a pre-determined criterion;
    - 8        identifying a project;
    - 9        establishing in computer memory a project workspace specific to said
    - 10          project, and associated with but distinct from said project
    - 11          development Website;
    - 12          determining which said URLs in said multi-dimensional indexed
    - 13          database are pertinent to said project;
    - 14          establishing a secondary indexed database in said computer memory as
    - 15          a component of said project workspace;
    - 16          installing said secondary indexed database by filling it with the pertinent
    - 17          said URLs from said multi-dimensional indexed database; and
    - 18          inserting a firewall between said project workspace and said project
    - 19          development Website.

- 1    28. The method of claim 27, further comprising the step of:
  - 2    following the initializing step, updating said project workspace with
  - 3    additional said pertinent URLs at the occurrence of said multi-
  - 4    dimensional indexed database being updated, and said update
  - 5    includes said pertinent URLs.
  
- 1    29. The method of claim 27, further comprising the step of:
  - 2    customizing said secondary indexed database with additional URLs, said
  - 3    customizing being independent of said project development Website
  - 4    and said multi-dimensional indexed database.
  
- 1    30. The method of claim 27, further comprising the step of:
  - 2    organizing said secondary indexed database by categories selected from
  - 3    the group consisting of Life Cycle, Operating Region, Operating
  - 4    Country, Industry Sector, and Supporting Services.
  
- 1    31. A project development workspace stored on a computer readable
- 2    medium comprising:
  - 3    a unidirectional data gate for transferring data from a project
  - 4    development Website to a project development workspace without
  - 5    influencing the contents of said project development Website.